

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
VICTORIA DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

V.

TROY MORELAND, ASHLEY MORELAND, §	
FIRST STATE BANCSHARES OF §	
YOAKUM, INC., AND OCWEN §	
FINANCIAL CORPORATION, §	

Defendants.

CASE NO. 6:18-cv-00053

**FIRST STATE BANCSHARES OF YOAKUM INC., ORIGINAL ANSWER AND
GENERAL DENIAL**

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

NOW COMES, FIRST STATE BANCSHARES OF YOAKUM (“BANK”), Defendant Lienholder, in the above-entitled and numbered cause, and files this Original Answer and General Denial to Plaintiff’s Complaint on file herein, and for such Answer would respectfully show unto the Court as follows:

GENERAL DENIAL

I.

For the purpose of properly placing the burden of proof herein, BANK denies generally the allegations contained in Plaintiff's Complaint, and requires that Plaintiff come forward before the Court and prove their allegations by a preponderance of the evidence as required by the United States Constitution.

II.

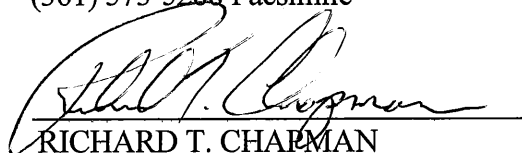
BANK asserts a valid and existing lien upon the proceeds of the sale of the real estate, subject to the lawful priorities as determined by this Court.

WHEREFORE, FIRST STATE BANCSHARES OF YOAKUM prays that upon final hearing that this Court determine the validity and extent of the various liens priorities in the proceeds of the sale, and that BANK have such other and further relief to which it is justly entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Original Answer and General Denial was served upon the following by depositing the same in the United States mail, postage prepaid, on this 17th day of AUGUST, 2018.

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